constantly changing under the generalised floating exchange system, exchange rate adjustments have to be made continuously, depending upon the movements in the exchange rates of the main international currencies.

(c) The rate at which the value of rupee may be stabilised will depend on a number of factors including the movements in the relative values of the currencies of countries which are India's major trading partners.

Income Tax arrears against film artists

344. SHRI R.T. GOPALAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount due to the Central Government at present from the film artists by way of income-tax arrears; and

(b) what are the names of such film artists?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) Information available in Central Board of Direct Taxes is regarding only such film artists who owe Income-tax of more than Rs. one lakh each. The latest information available is as on 31.3.1990. Total income tax due from such film artists as on 31.3.1990 was Rs. 10.79 crores out of which Rs. 5.50 crores was not enforceable for reasons like, demand had not fallen due for payment, recovery had been stayed etc.

(b) Names of such film artists are given in the enclosed statement

Statement

Names of film artists who owe Income-tax of more than Rs. one lakh each as on 31.3.1990

Sl. No.	Name Mr./Ms.	Sl. No.	Name Mr./Ms.
1.	Amjad Khan	18.	Maushmi Chatterjee
2.	Ashish Sen Gupta	19.	M.R.R. Vasu
3.	Amitabh Bachhan	20.	M.R. Radhika
4.	A. Sreedevi	21.	N.T. Ramarao
5.	Biswajit Chatterjee	22.	Nasirkhan Sarvarkhan (late)
6.	C. Suhasini Hasan	23.	Padmini Kolhapure
7.	Dilip Kumar	24.	Parveen Babi
8.	Deepti Naval	25.	Rajesh Khanna
9.	D. Venkatesh	26.	Rekha Ganeshan
10.	E.V. Saroja	27.	Rati Agnihotri
11.	G. Madhave (Km)	28.	Raj Babbar
12.	G. Prabhu	29.	Rajendra Kumar Tuli
13.	G. Vijaya Nirmala	30.	R. Jayapradha
14.	Helen Ann Richardson	31.	R. Rajni Kanth
15.	J. Jamuna	32.	Shatrughan Sinha
16.	Kishore Kumar Gangully (Late)	33.	Shabana Azmi
17.	K. Bhagyaraj	34.	Satyendra Kumar Sharma

Sl. No.	Name Mr./Ms.	Sl. No.	Name Mr./Ms.
35.	Shreeram Lagoo	41.	S. Kamal Hasan
36.	Sarika Thakur	42.	Tina Munim
37.	Sanjay *Alias* Abhas Khan	43.	Vikram *Alias* M.N. Makandan
38.	Shashi Raj Kapoor		
39.	S.S. Rajendra	44.	Vidya Sinha
40.	Sri Vidhva		

Research on cardamom plant diseases

345. SHRI R. T. GOPALAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that cardamom growers are facing difficulties in growing cardamom as the plants are afflicted with withering diseases;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to conduct special research in this field; and

(c) what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Research on these diseases has already been undertaken to evolve a long term integrated disease management through development of resistant cultivars, agronomical manipulations fungacidal applications and use of bio agents.

Assistance to cardamom growers

346. SHRI R.T. GOPALAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that at present cardamom is auctioned in Tamil Nadu but the participating auctioners are very few in number;

(b) whether Government are also aware that the cardamom growers are adversely affected by the low number of participating auctioners; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take to help cardamom growers in getting remunerative price?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN): (a) At present there are five auctioners in Tamilnadu licensed by the Spices Board conducting cardamom auctions.

(b) Number of participants in the auctions vary from 50 to 60 for each auction on an average.

(c) Does not arise.

Export performance of Colgate Palmolive

347. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the year 1988 Colgate Palmolive had exported items valued at only Rs. 41 lakhs whereas foreign exchange outgo was to the tune of Rs. 6 crores; and

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take to stop this foreign exchange drain?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.